Vaccines and sera below potency

1762. SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Polio vaccine, Triple antigen and Measles vaccines available with chemists are of below potency than actually required;

(b) how many samples of these life saving vaccines were drawn from chemists during last three years; yearwise alongwith the names of each vaccine;

(c) what is the procedure for drawing samples of these vaccines from both retailers and wholesalers;

(d) what was the average samples drawn from each State during the last three years, yearwise;

(e) what are the names of the laboratories where each of these samples tested; and

(f) what was the report of each and what action was taken against defaulters?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT AND THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI P. V. NARASIMHA RAO: (a) to (f) The manufacture, sale and distributions of drugs is controlled by the State Drug Control Authorities. Available information with the Government on the number of samples of Polio Vaccine, Triple Antigen and Measles vaccine tested for the last two years is given in the enclosed Statement.

All the samples are reportedly drawn as per the procedure laid down under the Drugs & Cosmetics Rules and were tested by Government Analyst at Central Research Institute, Kasauli which is the statutory laboratory for testing sera and vaccine in the country. The State Drugs Inspectors who are the inspecting authorities are required to take suitable action under the Drugs and Cosmetics Rules in respect of sub-standard vaccine.

Statement

Year	Name of Vaccine	No. of Samples Received	Standard	Sub-Standard Under Test	
1985-86	Triple Atigen (DPT	22	20	1	1
	Polio Vaccine	13	6	7	
	Measles Vaccine	NIL	NIL	..	..
1986-87	Triple Antigen (DPT)	23	16	..	7
	Polio Vaccine	20	8	12	..
	Measles Vaccine	NIL	NIL		..

Davis Cup Game against Israel

1763. SHRI SURESH KALMADI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether India propose to permit its tennis team to play against Israel in Davis Cup; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS AND WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA): (a) and (b) Government is seized of the matter.